

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Lee T. Bacheler et al.

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For: ESTIMATION OF CLINICAL CUT-OFFS

Examiner: J. LIN

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This amendment is filed in response to the non-final Office Action dated August 31, 2010, for which a response was due November 30, 2010. Applicants include with this response a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for one month to extend the deadline to file this response to December 31, 2010. Accounting for the holiday and weekend dates, this response is timely filed January 3, 2011. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper;

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 4 of this paper;

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.